

COWES PORT HEALTH AUTHORITYREPORT OF THE PORT HEALTH MEDICAL OFFICER FOR 1941.**I Amount of Shipping entering the Port during the year :**

Foreign - 51.
 English - 128 and numerous small craft.
 Number inspected by Medical Officer - Nil
 Number inspected by Sanitary Inspector - 51 Foreign 128 English
 Number reported defective - NONE
 Number reporting Infectious diseases - None.

II Character of Trade -----**III Water Supply :**

- (i) Source of supply :- as for the town of Cowes.
 There is a pipe line from the Pier Head.
 Sources of private supply are at the Pontoon (Isle of Wight
 Steam Packet Co.,) Messrs. Marvins' Shipyard and the
 Gas Works.

IV Port Sanitary Regulations 1933.

- (i) Declaration of Health ---- Received by the Customs Officers
 and sent to Port Medical Officer.
 (ii) Boarding of vessels - Medical Officer works in close co-
 operation with Custom's Officers and Naval Control who
 will take him off to any suspected ship. The Ministry
 of Health's weekly circular relating to infected Ports
 and infection abroad are always placed available for
 Customs Officers.
 (iii) Mooring Stations for detention of Ships.
 (a) The Roadstead of Cowes within Local area of jurisdiction
 (b) Medham Buoys in River Medina.
 (iv) Infectious cases can be landed to and isolated in the Isolation
 Hospital in the Island by arrangement with the Joint
 Hospital Board and the County Medical Officer of Health.
 The Port Medical Officer continues to pay occasional visits
 to Transports at temporary anchorage off Cowes if requested
 to do so by Naval control.
 Non-infectious cases requiring treatment on shore have
 been landed at Cowes. Care is taken not to land
 infectious cases from ships anchored outside the area of
 jurisdiction.
 (v) Bacteriological and Pathological Examinations are carried out
 by arrangement with the County Laboratory at Newport I.W.
 (vi) Cases of Venereal Disease are reported to the County Clinic
 at Newport.
 Cases which cannot attend the Clinic owing to lack of
 time or opportunity have been treated by the Port
 Medical Officer.
 No cases of Infectious disease were landed at the Port
 during 1941.

V. Measures against Rodents.

No special measures were taken against Rodents.

VI. Hygiene of Crews Spaces.

Nothing to report.

VII. Food Inspection.

This is done by the Town Sanitary Inspector.



Sheelfish

Oysters, matured at Newtown Creek and still brought to the Distributor's business premises in Cowes prior to despatch to Markets. Conditions at these premises in Cowes are satisfactory.

Copies of Order prohibiting the distribution for sale for human consumption of sheelfish from the River Medina unless the same have been relaid in approved waters for three months were circulated this year.

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